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1.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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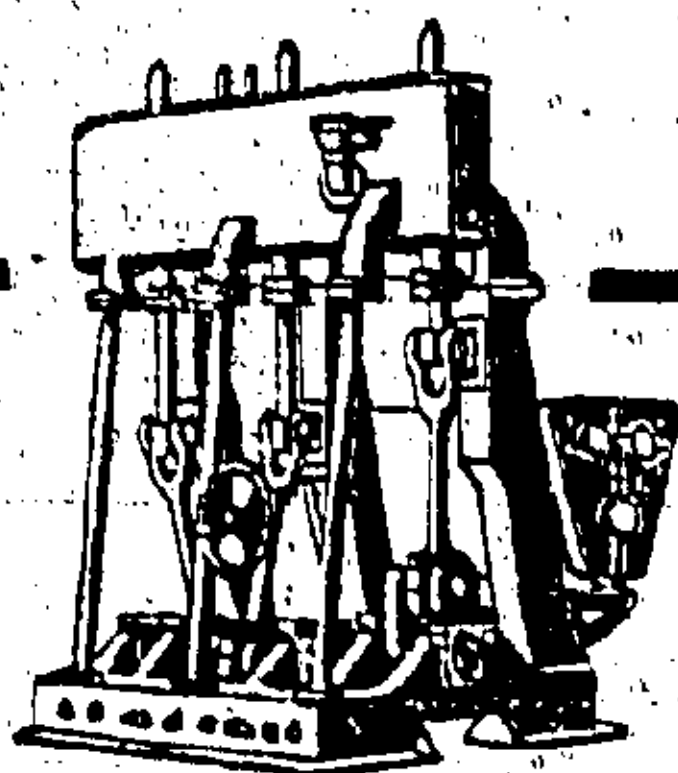
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## THE WAR.

### LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

#### GERMANY'S PEACE TERMS.

A SENSATION IN GERMANY.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 9.  
There is a great sensation in  
Germany owing to a declaration by  
Dr. Michaelis that Germany would  
shortly be able to publish her peace  
terms.

#### AUSTRIA PRESSING FOR PEACE.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.  
The Vienna Correspondent of the  
Hamburger Nachrichten denounces  
the renewed activities of an influen-  
tial circle in Austria-Hungary which  
is working for a speedy termination  
of the war at any cost.

The Hongkong Post declares, in its  
issue of September 10, in this con-  
nection, that Austria has been exert-  
ing the strongest pressure to induce  
Germany towards peace and has been  
sending out feelers in other direc-  
tions, especially to London. The  
paper concludes: "If Germany does  
not yield to Austrian pressure, very  
possibly an agreement may shortly  
be reached with Downing Street,  
without Germany."

#### PROMOTING THE WAR SPIRIT IN GERMANY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 10.  
The Rheinische Westfälische re-  
ports the inauguration of a patriotic  
party with the object of promoting  
the war spirit and to oppose the  
tendencies represented in the Reichs-  
tag Majority's resolution.  
The presidents are the Duke of  
Mecklenburg and Admiral von  
Tirpitz.

#### THE ITALIAN FRONT.

##### BAD WEATHER INTERFERES WITH OPERATIONS.

ROME, Sept. 9.  
Bad weather is interfering with  
the operations. Storms have trans-  
formed the streams into torrents and  
the plains are lakes of mud, while  
mist and fog prevent visibility.  
Nevertheless, the bombardment and  
daring raids continue.

##### AUSTRIAN CAPTURES.

LONDON, Sept. 10.  
An Austrian official message  
states:—  
Since August 19 we have taken  
prisoners, on the Isonzo Front, 500  
officers and 18,000 men.

##### A HOSPITAL SHIP AGREEMENT.

KING ALPHONSO'S SUCCESS-  
FUL EFFORTS.

MADRID, Sept. 9.  
The Foreign Minister states that  
King Alfonso has obtained from  
the belligerents an agreement per-  
mitting the free circulation of British  
and French hospital ships in the  
Mediterranean and the Atlantic, as  
far north as the English Channel.

##### GERMANY AND POLAND.

##### THE FUTURE GOVERNMENT OF POLAND.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.  
It is announced in Berlin that  
Dr. Michaelis and Count Czernin  
have reached an agreement to estab-  
lish a Polish Government consist-  
ing firstly, of a Council of Regency,  
consisting of three members. If a  
Cabinet is subsequently constituted,  
it will order elections for a Polish  
Parliament.

##### THE FRENCH CABINET CRISIS.

PARIS, Sept. 9.  
M. Ribot has consented to form a  
Cabinet.

#### THE WESTERN FRONT.

##### ACTIVITY ON THE BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig  
reports:—  
We entered the German trenches  
on a 100 yards' front, to the east of  
Villers, taking some prisoners.  
We carried out raids near Gavrelle  
and to the east of Vengelles.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig  
reports:—  
The Northumberland troops have  
captured 600 yards of trenches, to  
the south-east of Hargicourt, and  
have taken 52 prisoners.

Simultaneously, we captured a  
small portion of a trench, rounding  
off our line to the east of Malakoff  
Farm, and inflicting considerable  
casualties.

We repulsed raiders at Inverness  
Copps and slightly improved our  
position to the north-east of St.  
Julien.

##### A VIOLENT BUT UNSUCCESSFUL ENEMY COUNTER-ATTACK.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

A French communiqué states:—  
The Germans violently counter-  
attacked the positions we captured  
yesterday, on the sector of Fossega  
and Cambronne woods. Our shot-  
towers the attempt, with heavy  
enemy losses.

There has been desperate fighting  
at some points. We resisted and  
eventually repulsed our posi-  
tions after alternating advances and  
withdrawals.

The prisoners we took yesterday  
were increased to about 900.

Our scouts, who pushed beyond  
Passes Wood, estimate that over  
1,000 enemy corpses are before our  
lines in this region.

There has been great reciprocal  
artillery activity on the left bank of  
the Meuse. There have been no  
infantry actions.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

A French communiqué states:—  
Following intense artillery activity,  
the German attacked, in force, on  
the right bank of the Meuse, on a  
front of three kilometres, on both  
sides of Hill 344. Our fire prevent-  
ed the enemy from reaching our  
trenches, except a few detachments,  
which gained a temporary footing.

Our counter-attack completely  
re-established the lines and we took  
50 prisoners.

The enemy renewed his attempts  
against our new positions at Chaume  
Wood. On four occasions our fire  
hurled back the enemy to his own  
trenches.

A number of columns to the north  
of Wavrin Wood, were caught by  
our fire, and severely punished.

##### GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

A German official message states:—  
We repulsed an English night  
attack, to the north-east of St.  
Julien.

There has been fierce fighting, all  
day long, on the east bank of the  
Meuse. The enemy was generally  
driven back but retained a small  
part of Chaume Wood and the ridge  
to the east of that place. Three  
Divisions participated.  
We took 300 prisoners.

##### THE BALKANS.

##### GERMAN REPORT.

A German official message states:—  
We repulsed the Russian to the  
south of Ochrid Lake.  
The French occupied some villages  
to the westward of Mal.

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## INTIMATIONS

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SATURDAY, September 15th.  
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call upon the Warden on FRIDAY,  
14th instant, between the hours of  
10 A.M. and 1 P.M.  
Hongkong, Sept. 8, 1917. 2089

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEET-  
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the  
above Company will be held at the  
Company's Office, on SATURDAY the  
29th of September, at Noon, for the  
purpose of receiving the Report of the  
General Managers, together with a  
Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1917.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the  
Company will be CLOSED from the  
21st to 29th September, both days  
inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.  
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Hongkong, Sept. 5, 1917. 2087

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STERLING from the BOARD OF TRADE,  
LONDON, to whom the necessary funds  
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Hongkong, August 17, 1917. 2040

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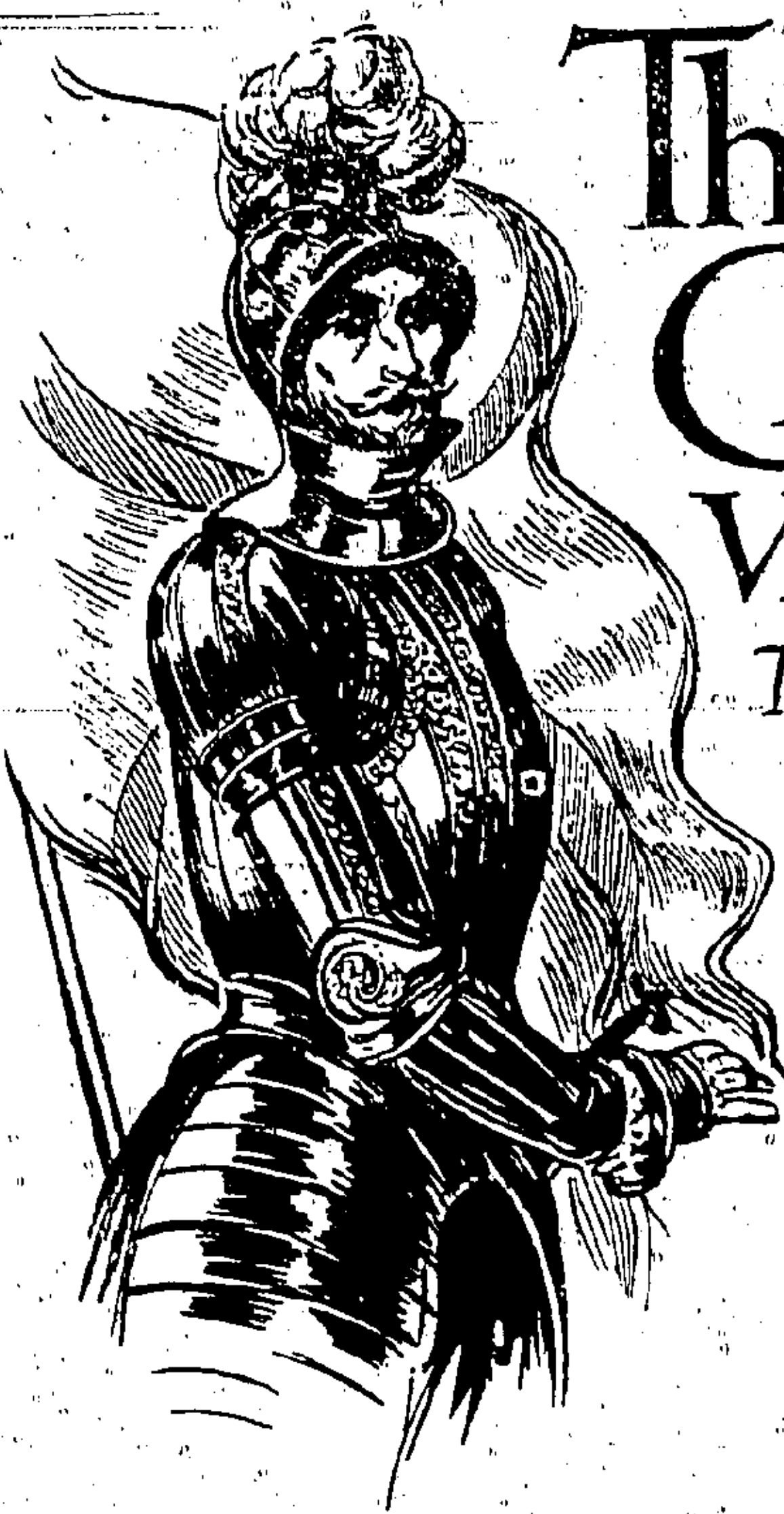
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him Raleigh's first colony to Virginia.  
But his name rests upon his exploits  
against the Spaniards and upon the  
fight of the one and the fifty-three.  
Gallant Sir Richard! Yours was a life  
to inspire achievement be the thing  
big or be it small!  
And a "Three Castles" Cigarette has in  
it a very long line of endeavour in  
the cultivation of Tobacco & moreover re-  
presents the highest achievement in the  
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## DEMOCRACY IN GERMANY.

REMARKABLE APPEAL TO THE  
KAISER.

The following is a translation of a  
letter by the German poet Klubund  
which was published in the *Neue Zürcher  
Zeitung*, the leading Swiss newspaper,  
on June 3rd last. The writer is a man  
of Socialistic tendencies, has been fight-  
ing in the trenches, and, we believe, is  
now interned in Switzerland. The letter  
reads as follows:

OPEN LETTER TO EMPEROR  
WILLIAM II.

"YOUR MAJESTY,  
"More than you can feel it in your  
isolation and in your solitude are the  
eyes of the whole world directed on you  
—imploping, begging, asking, depend-  
ing. However much the Press, inimical  
to you as painting you as a vandal and  
barbarian, — however much the incoherent  
and insipid diplomats and men in Govern-  
ment service, who would be better de-  
scribed as State paupers, are nursing the  
mistaken plan of curing militarism by  
the far worse Imperialism of your con-  
ception, and wish to destroy the Satanic  
mechanism by a super-dictatorial materi-  
alism, — in all countries are the eyes of  
those people who remain human beings,  
and the eyes of the Tommies, moujiks,  
Polaks, of those clad in field-grey and  
khaki, directed on you. For you, your  
Majesty, have it in your power to give the  
world an early peace.

"You protest that in November last  
year you were ready to make peace. You  
did indeed offer the enemy your hand for  
peace, but your hand was a clenched fist,  
and no human hand with warm  
blood flowing in it. — It was the iron fist  
of Goetz von Berlichingen.  
"Your Majesty, can you recognise the  
signs of the times? Can you not see  
that all ideas of Power and Might have  
been shipwrecked in this war? Power is  
but a clay idol if it is not united with  
intellect, kindness, and justice. Forever  
have these principles associated with the  
crises of Power and its attributes — am-  
bition of ruling, arrogance, police-force  
spirit, idolatry, Byzantinism and Mam-  
monism (these last two are always de-  
pendent and feeding on each other) to  
disappear.

"Your Majesty, your Easter message  
to your people brightened the hearts of  
the German nation and temporarily  
gladdened their eyes with a few rays of  
light. But do you not understand that if  
you wish to speak to a people which  
wishes to be free and which you honour  
and esteem, you ought to speak as a free  
man to a free people? But you spoke in  
your old baronial style.

"The public and secret Cabinets of  
Berlin are still strongholds of serfdom.  
Rulers, your Majesty, are not created,  
they are inherent, essential and pre-  
sistent.

"Give it up, this belief in your divine  
mission, and move about as a man  
amongst men. Discard the purple of  
exclusiveness, and do not the cloak of  
others that of brotherly love. Erect the  
real people's kingdom of the Hohenzol-  
lern. Free yourself from your an-  
cestors. Free yourself from the illusion  
that you can rely on a small capitalistic  
feudal clan from which your officials and  
highest officers are drawn, and which is  
drowning the cries and agonies of your

people with trumpets and kettle-drums.  
They are really destroying your throne  
in holding down the blinded Samsen  
until one day he will pull down the  
pillars of the State.

"Now, your Majesty, you are a shadow  
Emperor, because you are in the shade  
of the plutocratic munition-manufac-  
turers and autocratic barons. Be your-  
self; show yourself as a real noble Chris-  
tian and give your people, out of an  
overflowing heart, the freedom of their  
soul and their wishes. Forget the words  
you once wrote in the "Golden Book" of  
Munich (you will do that willingly):  
*Regis voluntas suprema lex*. Give it  
them out of your own free will — not out  
of grace, but out of righteousness, as  
standing on a level with your people  
and living in union with them. Out of  
mutual love, out of brotherly love.

"What, indestructible jublations  
would resound all over the country if it  
was given out that the William II. re-  
nounces that antiquated, disastrous,  
inhuman right to decide infallibly on  
war or peace? In weighty decisions of  
this kind, concerning the welfare of  
your people, the co-operation and the  
consent of your people is required.  
Henceforward, he will not be the master  
any more, but the servant of the German  
aid. The army would be sworn in the  
name of the Fatherland because it is  
the army of the people. Without delay,  
the House Deputies and the Reich  
stag should assemble to prepare  
the reorganization of our Constitu-  
tion, and suffrage on the proportional  
principle, under which majorities will  
not be violated and minorities not be  
suppressed, a parliamentary and demo-  
cratically-governed country, in which  
Ministries are chosen by the people's  
wish and supported by them, and are not  
responsible to a single man.

"The German people have ripened  
during these many years of untold suffer-  
ing, have grown out of their childhood.  
They need no more any tutelage, they  
are sick of it.

"Your Majesty, don't you feel some-  
times, during sleepless nights, the weight  
of this boundless responsibility? How  
light would this feel if the people them-  
selves helped you to carry this load,  
sharing in the responsibility because  
sharing in the Government.

"Your Majesty, it is in your hand to  
conjure up an early peace. — Peace  
after a war like this, cannot be  
concluded between representatives  
chosen by nations with responsibility to  
the whole nation on one side, and one  
single authoritative man on the other  
side who, according to the Constitution,  
is the one person entitled to conclude  
peace, and who holds his high office not  
by the wish of his people, but over it to  
the unnatural and inhuman ideas of the  
divine mission of Kings and Emperors.

"The new Russian Government, and  
Wilson in America, — the two enemies  
of yours most disposed to make peace — are  
only waiting for you to turn the path  
towards the freedom of your people.

## PINKETTES

are as good for the children as for you.  
They stimulate the appetite and aid  
digestion. Of Chemicals, Dr. Williams' Pink  
Pill is the only one that is free from  
60 cents from Dr. Williams' Medicine  
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This would enable you to hear the voice  
of your people and to negotiate with  
those chosen by the nation.

"All depends on this: to find a basis  
on which man can speak to man, and not  
as the ruler to subjects, not master to  
servant, not one enemy to enemies.

"Republic is only a term: Wilson and  
Kerensky are not thinking of advocating  
it for Germany. They only want to make  
peace with a Government, responsible  
to the people, a peace that represents  
the whole nation.

"The question of home politics in Ger-  
many, can you see that, your Majesty, is  
the most important, in order to get to  
real peace. Much more important than  
any probable or improbable victory on  
the Western front, which the German  
General Staff perhaps still thinks pos-  
sible. For, in a future world empire  
there will only be an imperialism of  
humanity — things will not depend any  
more on military successes. The military  
age, during which decision of wars was  
possible by arms, is moving toward its  
end. Today already it is not armies  
that are fighting each other, but nations.  
"Economic power is more important  
than military power, and the power  
of civilisation more important than  
economic power.

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tory, in which not the history of mili-  
tary alliances but the history of intel-  
lectual achievements will be written.

"Then will the popular kingdom of  
the Hohenzollern be built on rock,  
whereas at present it is only a building  
of clouds, that if you will not see the  
signs of the times — will be soon dis-  
pelled in the coming storm.

"I am, your Majesty,  
"Humbly Yours,  
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A correspondent of The Statesman  
writes an extract from a letter from his  
wife, received by the last mail. It  
illustrates the steady rise in the cost of  
food. "I have just been doing my  
accounts for June. I have been com-  
paring cost of food since February. Our  
food has cost us February £2 10s, March  
£2 25s, and June £3 14s in spite  
of rigid economy." "Us" are mother  
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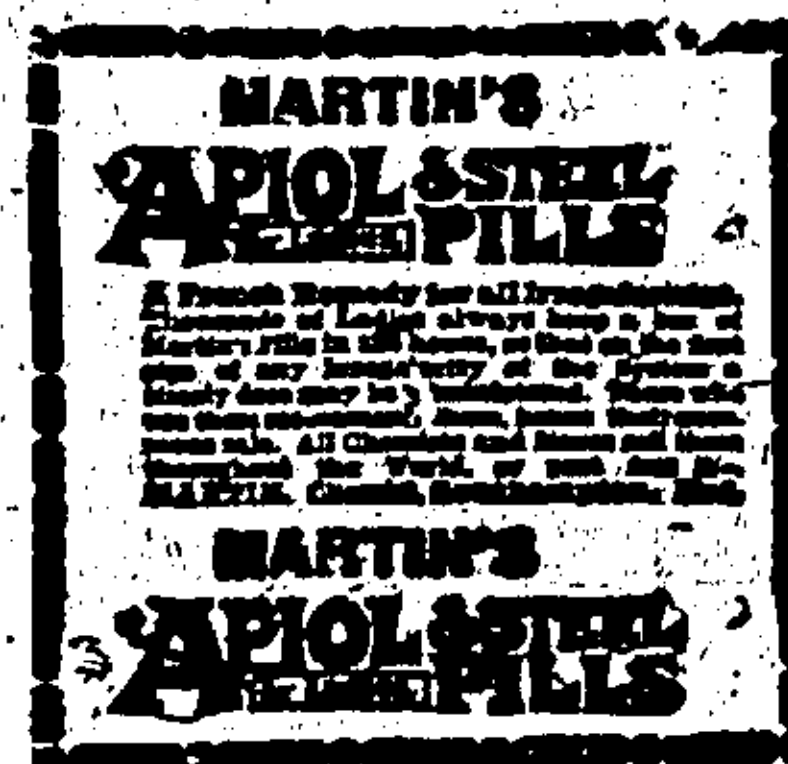
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No. 3 Dock, Kowloon	127	17	17	17	
No. 4 Dock, Kowloon	137	17	17	17	
No. 5 Dock, Kowloon	147	17	17	17	
No. 6 Dock, Kowloon	157	17	17	17	
No. 7 Dock, Kowloon	167	17	17	17	
No. 8 Dock, Kowloon	177	17	17	17	
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No. 10 Dock, Kowloon	197	17	17	17	
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No. 12 Dock, Kowloon	217	17	17	17	
No. 13 Dock, Kowloon	227	17	17	17	
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share payable to all Shareholders on the  
Company's Register at 30th September  
1917, may be obtained at the Office of  
the Company, 2, Queen's Buildings,  
Hongkong, on and after the 8th October,  
1917.

Notice is further given that the  
SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER  
BOOKS of the Company will be  
CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th  
October, 1917, both days inclusive.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
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Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1917. 2091

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Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1917. 2092

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Hongkong, August 29, 1917. 2088

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THE Undersigned have received in-  
structions to sell by Public Auction,  
(for account of the owners),

## SATURDAY,

the 29th September, 1917, at 10.30 a.m.,  
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Myrrh, Tinct. Opium, Gelatin Capsules,  
Chloroform, Aether, Spt. Camphor, and  
a few gross of Medicine bottles, etc., etc.

A number of Tubes of Hypodermic  
Injections of Morphine, Cocaine, etc.,  
and about 100 Tubes of Salvarsan,  
Also

Several cases of medicated Cotton  
Wool, Bandages, Iodoform Gauze, etc.,  
etc., etc.

N.B.—Several lines of the above  
drugs are now practically unobtainable  
owing to the War.

Catalogues will be issued.  
On view from Friday the 29th inst.  
Terms:—Cash.

## HUGHES &amp; HOUGH,

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Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1917. 2093

## THE CALENDAR.

MEMO FOR TO-MORROW.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture,  
Pictures, Bath sheets, Pianos, etc.,  
at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

General Memoranda.  
SATURDAY, Sept. 15—  
University Re-opens.

3.30 p.m.—Gymkhana at Happy Valley.

SUNDAY, Sept. 16—  
6.37 p.m.—New moon.

MONDAY, Sept. 17—  
Cathedral Day: Hongkong Stock  
Exchange.

TUESDAY, Sept. 18—  
Nicholas Day.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 19—  
Noon—Douglas Steamship Co's  
Meeting.

THURSDAY, Oct. 1—  
October Criminal Sessions commence.

MONDAY, Oct. 8—  
General Holiday.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPT. 10, 1917.

## SWEDISH AID TO GERMANY.

SWEDISH sympathy with Germany  
has been shown in many ways during  
the war, but the revelations which  
are now being made of the aid which  
Sweden, throughout the war, has been  
according to Germany through misuse  
of diplomatic channels are certain to be  
followed by action which if it does  
not place Sweden actually in a state  
of belligerency vis-a-vis the Allied  
Powers must, at any rate, result in  
her being regarded with the deepest  
distrust and suspicion. If these  
cables from the Swedish Minister  
at Buenos Aires, which Mr. LANSING  
has given to the world, stand alone,  
there might be some excuse for  
regarding the Government of Sweden  
as the "dupes" of Germany, but  
when we are told that the British  
Government in 1915 made representa-

tions to the Swedish Government  
regarding similar abuses of the  
privileges allowed a neutral Govern-  
ment in the use of British submarine  
cables, and that the Swedish Govern-  
ment admitted that "there might,  
at one time, have been ground for  
complaint," but declared that  
"nothing of the kind has happened  
for some months and will not occur  
again" the gravity of the case against  
Sweden is greatly increased. Such  
information as the German representa-  
tive in Argentina has been trans-  
mitting through the Swedish Minister,  
in cipher, has gone to Stockholm  
and has been passed on by the  
Swedish Foreign Office to Berlin.

As a cable puts it to-day, "Stock-  
holm has been acting as a telegraph  
office for the German Government."  
These revelations lead to many  
speculations as to what might have  
happened in the past. The American  
public a couple of months ago was  
greatly exercised over the news of  
the unsuccessful submarine attacks  
on the ships which carried the  
first drafts of the American Ex-  
peditionary Force to France. "The  
relief and gratification of officials at  
the safe arrival of the Expeditionary  
Force," said a message from Washing-  
ton at the time, "are tempered by  
manifest indignation that the German  
Admiralty should have been able to  
lay its plans to attack the American  
vessels in force before they reached  
the zone which was regarded as  
most dangerous." It may be wrong  
to conclude that information regard-  
ing the departure and the route of  
the American transports reached  
Germany via the Foreign Office at  
Stockholm, but after Mr. LANSING's  
revelations of the communication  
made through the Swedish Minister  
at Buenos Aires, there is certain to  
be a disposition to think that the  
information probably reached Berlin  
by the same channels. These revela-  
tions follow very closely on other  
disclosures made in a recent official  
report that enormous quantities of  
materials for the manufacture of  
munitions were being shipped to  
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Sweden supplemented her shipment

by imports from America in  
addition to large quantities of other  
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and is holding up a large amount of  
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## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

[Chinese Mail Service.]

## THE SITUATION AT CANTON.

PEKING, Sept. 9.

Li Yu Hon the new Civil Governor  
of Canton, has telegraphed stating that  
he has consulted Chan Ping Kuan the  
Military Governor, with the object of  
of maintaining peace and order in  
Kwangtung province, and has so far  
succeeded.

He also states that he is in consulta-  
tion with Mo King Yu, and Li, the  
Tuchun of Fokien, with a view to  
securing their co-operation in maintain-  
ing order.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 9.

Li Yu Hon has telegraphed to the  
Government stating that since he  
assumed office the revolutionists are  
leaving Canton gradually.

Mok King Yu has telegraphed that  
he will support the Central Government.

Li Ting Sun has arrived at Peking  
and had an interview with President  
Feng Kuo Chang. He made certain  
suggestions as to how to secure the  
loyalty of the Navy and to settle the  
South West question.

Luk Wing Ting has telegraphed a  
report on the present situation in  
Kwangtung. He states the facts only  
and does not express opinions. He  
welcomes, however, Li Yu Hon's  
appointment.

It is reported that Chang Ming Ki  
will be appointed to Kwangsi.

## THE JAPANESE LOAN.

PEKING, Sept. 9.

The payment of the first instalment  
of the Japanese loan, in addition to the  
Salt surplus, will enable the Govern-  
ment to carry on without difficulty.  
The postponement of the Boxer  
indemnity for five years increases  
the receipts of the Treasury, and if the  
surplus funds were wisely used, China's  
credit will easily be restored.

Owing to the Government not being  
aware of the exchange, the Japanese  
loan has been remitted at a rate most  
unfavourable, costing the Government  
\$1,000,000.

## EMIGRATION AND CONSCRIPTION.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 9.

The Cabinet has decided to carry out  
measures with regard to emigration and  
conscription, simultaneously.

## THE POWERS AND CHINA.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 9.

The Allied Ministers, after a  
further conference, have decided to  
allow China to defer payment of  
the Boxer indemnity for five years  
except payments to Russia, of which  
only one third will be deferred. They  
have also agreed to an increase of five  
per cent on the duty, and will allow  
Chinese troops to pass through the  
Tientsin Concessions.

## THE FIGHTING AT SZCHUAN.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 9.

According to a telegram from Chung-  
king, the Yunnanese troops, who attack-  
ed Szchuan have been defeated and  
have retired.

THE CHARTERING OF ENEMY  
SHIPS.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 9.

President Feng Kuo Chang has sub-  
mitted the question of the chartering  
of enemy ships for consideration by the  
Cabinet, emphasising that no ships  
could be re-chartered to outsiders.

The Daitai Company, yesterday, paid  
the Government \$1,000,000 guarantee  
money in order to avoid unexpected  
developments.

FREDERIC SHIPMAN'S  
"FANTASTICS."

When Mr. Frederic Shipman piloted  
the famous "French-Canadian" tenor,  
Paul Dufault, on his triumphal tour  
through the East early this year, he  
signified his intention of organising  
another company to tour this part of  
the world. Mr. Shipman is making  
good this promise, for since his return  
to Australia he has been extremely busy  
engaging star artists from all countries  
and he has succeeded in getting together  
what he claims to be the best company  
of its type that has so far embarked  
upon a tour of the East. In organizing  
the "Fantastics" Mr. Shipman has had  
in mind the universal unhappiness and  
depression existent to-day, and the  
members of the company are, therefore,  
all laughter-makers pure and simple,  
whose work will be to drive away, for  
the time being, some of our inevitable  
gloom and sorrow. The "Fantastics"  
were to leave Australia in August, and  
their tour will commence in Hongkong  
some time this month.

## CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

A BE who suffers from attacks of diar-  
rhoea. Keep absolutely quiet for  
a few days, rest in bed if possible, be  
careful of your diet and take Chamber-  
lain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.  
This medicine has cured cases of chronic  
diarrhoea that physicians have failed  
to cure and is well known to you. For sale by  
all Chemists and Druggists.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

LARCENIES FROM KOWLOON  
GODOWNS.

A Chinese coolie was charged before  
Mr. Wood this morning with the larceny  
of 13 tin plates valued at \$3, the property  
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Co.  
Kowloon. The tin plates were found  
tied around defendant's body as he came  
out of the gate.

Another coolie was also charged with  
stealing two skeins of wire from the  
godown.

His Worship remanded both cases to  
next Friday.

ALLEGED DEMANDING MONEY,  
WITH MENACES.

A case in which three Chinese were  
charged with demanding money, with  
menaces, was remanded to Tuesday next,  
bail being fixed at \$200 each.

Mr. D'Almeida appeared for prosecu-  
tion while Mr. Gardiner defended.

TRESPASSING ON BELCHERS  
FORTS.

Two Chinese coolies were charged  
before Mr. Wood this morning with  
trespassing on Government property at  
Belchers forts. Defendants were found  
in the servants quarters where they  
conducted themselves in a disorderly  
manner, and using the place as a gam-  
bling house.

After hearing the evidence His  
Worship fined each defendant \$5.

## A ROLL OF SILK.

A Chinese was charged with the  
unlawful possession of a roll of silk.

Defendant pleaded not guilty and  
denied all knowledge of the roll of silk.

An Indian watchman of the Kowloon  
godowns said he stopped defendant who  
was coming out of the Kowloon godowns  
at 5.45 a.m. yesterday. He wanted  
to know the cause of an "unshapely"  
lump on defendant's back. Defendant  
then ran into Canton Road. He gave  
chase and defendant dropped the roll of  
silk which he picked up. The defendant  
was finally arrested by an Indian  
constable.

After hearing the evidence His Wor-  
ship remanded the case to next Monday,  
fixing bail at \$100.

ALLEGED LARCENY FROM A  
SHIP.

Before Mr. Wood this morning, a  
Chinese cook boy of the s.s. Montague  
was charged with stealing a quantity of  
electric wire and fittings valued at \$10,  
the property of the steamer which was  
lying at Kowloon Godowns on the 9th  
inst.

Defendant stated the fittings belong-  
ed to him. They were bought at  
Vancouver about three years ago.

After further evidence His Worship  
dismissed the case.

ALLEGED ACCESSORY TO A  
MURDER.

Ah Fun, an amah at No. 38 Bonham  
Road, was charged before Mr. Wood  
this morning with aiding and abetting  
one Au Kan who is alleged to have  
murdered another Chinese named Pan  
In, on the 8th instant.

Mr. Davidson appeared for the  
defence, and on his application His  
Worship adjourned the case to Monday  
the 17th inst.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF  
OPIUM.

A Chinese was charged with the  
unlawful possession of 120 taels of  
prepared opium the same not being  
government opium.

Inspector Wildin told His Worship  
that the opium was found concealed  
in two bags on the verandah of No.  
219 Des Voeux Road. The defendant  
was on the premises and as he was in  
charge there he was arrested.

Mr. G. R. Haywood who appeared  
for the defendant, who pleaded not  
guilty, applied for a remand.

His Worship (Mr. Wood) granted  
the remand and adjourned the case to  
next Wednesday.

## SNATCHER CAUGHT.

In Mr. Dyer Ball's court this morning  
a Chinese was charged with stealing from  
a Chinese widow, residing at 246 Queen's  
Road West, four gold-mounted rattan  
bangles valued at \$41.78 and two  
packets of powder.

It was alleged that while the lady  
was walking along Queen's Road West,  
near the Ko Shing Theatre, the defend-  
ant ran into her, snatched the articles  
in question and ran away. Subsequently  
a constable arrested him.

## TREATMENT FOR DYSENTERY.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic, Cholera and  
Diarrhoea Remedy followed by a  
dose of castor oil will effectually cure  
the most stubborn cases of dysentery.  
It is especially good for summer diar-  
rhoea in children. For sale by all  
Chemists and Druggists.

Defendant pleaded guilty and His  
Worship sentenced the defendant to  
nine months' hard labour and 10 strokes  
of the birch.

THEFT FROM A QUARRY BAY  
RESIDENT.

Two Chinese were charged before Mr.  
Dyer Ball this morning with the larceny  
of \$600 in money, one box  
valued at \$250 and 33 pieces of  
clothing valued at \$35, to total value of  
\$860, on the 8th instant.

The first defendant was formerly in  
the service of the complainant, Mr.  
William Jackson, of the Joss House,  
Quarry Bay. It appeared that on the  
day of the robbery, Mr. Jackson was  
in town and the two prisoners, taking  
advantage of his absence, entered the  
house and stole the articles mentioned  
above.

After hearing the evidence His  
Worship sentenced the defendants to  
six months' hard labour.

## CHINESE CUSTOM.

THE COCK'S HEAD AS A TEST  
OF TRUTH.

If the British Courts in Hongkong  
recognise the Chinese customs of  
bigamy and the keeping of "slaves,"  
there is no reason why they should  
not recognise other Chinese customs.

Mr. Justice Gompertz sees no  
reason why they should not, provided  
the ends of justice can better be  
served by such recognition.

His Lordship had before him a  
Chinese and an Indian who were  
squabbling about a money transac-  
tion that took place between them.  
Neither was by any means impressed  
by the penalties that might befall  
them for committing perjury, and  
as, his Lordship said, one of them  
was not telling the truth.

Mr. Justice Gompertz had a sus-  
picion that it was the Chinese who  
his Lordship had recourse to a  
Chinese test, and asked the Chi-  
nese whether he would be willing to  
cut off a cock's head.

Now, everybody knows that the  
Chinese will cut off a cock's head  
and at the same time treat the truth  
with such small regard as he would  
do in a British Court of Law, and so  
the proof of the utility of Chinese  
custom was provided, and the ends  
of justice satisfied, for the Chinese  
came back with the lame tale that his  
"mother would get let him,"  
and he would consent to judgment.

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC TRAM.

CONCESSION TO SAILORS AND  
SOLDIERS.

The Hongkong Tramway Company  
announce that from to-day all members  
of H. M. Forces (Naval and Military)  
but excluding natives, may travel on  
the Company's cars when in uniform for  
half fare (i.e. 5 cents for a 1st class  
10 cents fare). This concession is not to  
apply to Volunteers.

The Tramway Company have, since  
October 1914, issued special Military  
tickets enabling all soldiers and volun-  
teers travelling on duty to ride free of  
charge, and have also supplied without  
charge special cars for military purposes  
at any time or place on their route on  
request. Up to date, 222,696 men have  
been carried under this scheme, and 893  
special cars have been supplied. The  
tickets used represent a cash value of  
\$20,330.80 and the special cars \$2,990.00.

From the commencement of the war to  
October 1914, all soldiers and volun-  
teers were allowed to ride free at  
any time without tickets, and no records  
are available of the number carried.

Since then the men when not on duty  
have paid full fare.

The new arrangement is made in  
order to give a concession to  
the men travelling on pleasure, as  
well as to the men on duty, and we are  
pleased to notice that the new conces-  
sion is extended to the Navy. The  
general public no less than the men of  
His Majesty's Forces will appreciate the  
generosity and public spirit which the  
Tramway Company have shown and  
continue to show in this connection.

## OUR LITTLE BIT SOCIETY.

The undermentioned articles have  
been sent to-day to Messrs. Shewan,  
Tomes and Co. to be forwarded to The  
Bible Society, Queen Mary's Needle-  
work Guild 2 Cavendish Square London,  
W. 8. quilts 8 pillows, 8 pairs  
straw-beds, 50 cloth-slippers, 166  
pillow-bags, 2 face cloths, 12 many  
tail-bags, 29 pairs socks, 10 pairs  
bed socks, 4 mufflers, 8 pairs mittens,  
74 extra pajamas.

Major-General Ventris kindly distributed  
the prizes at the conclusion.

Mr. Tan, of the C.R.C. in a few well  
chosen remarks thanked all concerned  
in making the season a success, and  
especially thanked Miss Ventris for  
kindly consenting to distribute the  
prizes.

Major-General Ventris acknowledged  
the compliment paid to his daughter  
and wished the Club a prosperous future.

A bouquet was then handed to Miss  
Ventris and the gathering dispersed  
after having spent a thoroughly enjoy-  
able afternoon.

A Chinese woman named Pang Yu  
was admitted to the Government Civil  
Hospital on the 6th instant. She was  
suffering from injuries inflicted by some  
sharp weapon and died the same night.  
The injuries were inflicted by persons  
at present unknown, but the deceased's  
anal is charged with aiding and  
abetting in the murder.

HONGKONG TENNIS  
LEAGUE.

## PRESENTATION OF THE SHIELDS.

The Hongkong Tennis League Season  
was brought to a close on Saturday at  
the Chinese Recreation Club ground at  
Causeway Bay by an "At Home" when  
the winners of the season—the C.R.C.  
in the 1st Division and Club Recreio in  
2nd Division—had shields presented to  
them.

Tea was served on the lawn and other  
refreshments were provided in the  
pavilion. The grounds were well de-  
corated with flags and bunting and a  
big mat screen had been erected to  
provide shade for the on-lookers.

By the kind permission of Major  
Morgan and the officers, the Band of the  
18th Infantry was in attendance under  
the direction of Mr. Fortado, the band-  
master, and rendered many delightful  
selections.

Among those present were Major-  
General Ventris and Miss Ventris, Dr.  
Forsyth (President of the Tennis  
League), and Dr. Lindsay Woods,  
Secretary of the League.

The Champions of the First and  
Second Tennis Leagues—C.R.C. and  
Club Recreio—gave the customary  
display match against "The Rest."

The games were keenly contested and  
in one court no less than half-a-dozen  
duces were called before game was  
won. "The Rest" proved too strong  
for the champions. In spite of their  
excellent play the C.R.C. lost by 7  
games and the Club Recreio by 5  
games. The score was as follows:—

## 1st DIVISION.

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## TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.  
ENEMY CROSS THE AA.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
A Russian official message states: In the direction of Riga, the enemy constructed bridges on the lower Aa, concentrating forces on the north bank under cover of his cavalry.  
In the region of Zogoly, our cavalry is hindering the German advance.  
We repulsed an enemy offensive to the south of Raskolnaya.

## GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
A German official message states: Between the Baltic and the Dvina, we drove back the Russians at many points, to positions they are consolidating.

## RIGA CATASTROPHE EXPLAINED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 10.  
An authoritative statement, explaining the catastrophe at Riga, says it was due to the weight of the German thrust, particularly their artillery superiority. The fact that the bulk of the Russians showed discipline and courage is regarded very favourably, as the Riga Front was considered to have been the most disorganised, morally.

Military authorities re-affirm that there is no danger to Petrograd, but as a precautionary measure, a new administration for governing the City will be formed.

The Government is prepared to deal with "reactionaries" and will organise all the resources for the defence of the country and the continuation of the war.

The Commander-in-Chief, on the Northern Front, has declared that the Army's resistance is daily more determined and the enemy pressure is weakening and if he reached Pskoff by the beginning of the winter, he could not further progress, while a landing is improbable because the mine fields have not been broken through anywhere in the Baltic or the Gulf of Finland, and the Fleet and coast defences have been greatly strengthened.

## OVERCROWDING IN PETROGRAD.

## AN APPEAL FOR PARTIAL EVACUATION.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 8.  
A Communist-General has been appointed to deal with overcrowding and he has appealed to the inhabitants not obliged to remain in Petrograd, gradually to leave the City, in view of the possibility of air raids, and the scarcity of provisions.

The *Iskret* says that the Government is considering the question of removing to Moscow.

## A REASSURING STATEMENT.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 10.  
The Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, who is controlling the partial evacuation of the City, in a reassuring statement on the military situation, advises the non-business population, owing to the food question, to leave in batches.

The Government has decided that the question of its own departure can be postponed for six weeks.

## MINISTRY OF FOOD SUPPLIES RESIGNS.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 9.  
The *Bourse Gacete* states that the Minister of Food Supplies has resigned owing to the increasing difficulties of the food problems.

## GENERAL ALEXIEFF GOES TO THE NORTHERN FRONT.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 9.  
General Alexieff, the former Gen. Enslin, is going to the Northern Front, on a visit of inspection.

## GREAT BRITAIN AND THE PAPAL PEACE NOTE.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.  
Great Britain has advised the United States that President Wilson's reply to Pope's peace proposals are, in effect, the same as Great Britain's reply.

## THE BRITISH FOOD SUPPLY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.  
In an interview with the *Handelsblad*, London Correspondent, Lord Rhonda declared that submarine warfare caused anxiety regarding the food supply. "It is not to be overestimated," he said, "that within a year the United Kingdom would be practically independent of imports as far as the chief foodstuffs are concerned."

## SWEDEN'S BREACH OF NEUTRALITY.

## ASTOUNDING REVELATIONS BY U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.  
The State Department has published official documents showing how the Swedish Legation in Argentina, acting as a secret means of communication between the German Charge d'Affaires at Buenos Aires and the Berlin Foreign Office, transmitted information regarding the sailing of ships, with directions for their destruction by submarines.

Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, announces:—

"The Department of State has secured certain telegrams from Count Luxburg, the German Charge d'Affaires at Buenos Aires, to the Foreign Office in Berlin, which, I regret to say, were despatched from Buenos Aires by the Swedish Legation as its own official messages and addressed to the Foreign Office at Stockholm. The following are translations of the German text:—

May, 1917. No. 32.—This

Government has now released the German and Austrian ships, upon which hitherto a guard has been placed, in consequence of the settlement of the *Monte Prolegito* case. There has been a great change of public feeling, and the Government will in future only clear Argentine ships as far as Las Palmas, and let the small steamer *Orinogazo* 31st January (meaning which sailed on the 31st January), 300 tons, which is now moving Bordeaux with a view to change of flag, may be spared if possible, or else sink without any trace being left. (Signed) Luxburg.

July 3, 1917. No. 59.—I learn from reliable sources that the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs, who is a notorious ass and an Anglophile, declared in a secret session of the Senate that the Argentine would demand from Berlin a promise not to sink more Argentine ships and if not agreed to, relations would be broken off. I recommend a refusal, and, if necessary, the cutting in of Spain to mediate. (Signed) Luxburg.

July 9, No. 64.—Without showing any tendency to make concessions postpone a reply to Argentine Note until receipt of further reports. A change of Ministry is probable. As regards Argentine steamers, I recommend either compelling them to turn back or sinking them without leaving any trace, or letting them through. They are all quite small. (Signed) Luxburg.

LATER.  
Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, published the translation of the Swedish cipher telegrams without comment.

Copies of his announcement have been delivered to the Argentine Embassy and the Swedish Legation here.

The opinion is expressed that the purpose of the United States in publishing the correspondence is, first, to show the nature of the relations between Germany and Sweden, and second, to disclose to Argentina the manner in which the German representative in her Capital has been secretly directing the destruction of her shipping and guiding his Government in its dealings with Argentina, diplomatically.

German influences have been stronger in Argentina than anywhere else in South America, practically the whole of which, with the exception of Argentina, has sided with the United States in the war against German autocracy.

## COMMENTS ON THE REVELATIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

Mr. Lansing's revelations have created a sensation in Great Britain.

It appears that the Foreign Office at Stockholm has been acting as a telegraph office for the German Government, regularly transmitting German cipher cables as Swedish Government messages during the past three years. Thus the German Ministers in various foreign countries have been in free telegraphic communication with Berlin by handing their cipher messages to the Swedish Minister, who signed and despatched them to Stockholm, whence they were sent to Berlin.

The British Government learned of the existence of the system in the Spring of 1915, and told the Swedish Government that unless the practice ceased it would be necessary to place restrictions on Swedish cipher telegrams using British-controlled cables.

The Swedish Minister in London, after some delay, promised that the practice would cease.  
Similar assurances were given by Stockholm, where the Foreign Minister, in August 1915, admitted that there might, at one time, have been ground for complaint but, he added, "nothing of the kind has happened for some months, and it won't occur again."

It is noteworthy that the discovery and the deciphering of the present series of telegrams are due to the watchfulness and skill of the American Intelligence Service, and thus one of the first acts of the new enemy, whom Germany affected to despise, has been the exposure of a procedure which afforded damning evidence against the German Government, and a neutral Government, whom it is charitable to regard as the dupes of Germany.

The contents of the published telegrams are a lesson to neutrals of the value that can be placed on German promises of concessions. The German representative at Buenos Aires, while enjoying the hospitality of the Argentine, is seen to be advocating the deliberate murder of Argentine subjects on the high seas and to leave no trace of a crime, which would make Argentina an enemy. This is consistent with the deliberate policy applied to others neutrals, especially Norway.

Furthermore, the assurance apparently given to the Argentine Government that Argentine ships only would be clear to Las Palmas, shows that the pretended immunity of Argentine ships, accorded with a show of magnanimity by Germany, is a pure farce, because this immunity was secured by Argentina undertaking that no Argentine vessels were found in the war zone.

It will be interesting to hear Argentine public opinion of the real nature of the "diplomatic victory" claimed by the Argentine Government.

## EXCITEMENT IN ARGENTINA.

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 9.  
The American Embassy has received confirmation of the telegrams relating to the "attitude" of the Swedish Legation and the text of the telegrams of Count Luxburg, advising the Argentine Government to sink Argentine vessels without leaving any trace.

The news, everywhere, has caused great excitement, and anti-German demonstrations are foreseen.

The police have taken precautionary measures.  
The demand for the recall of Count Luxburg and also the Swedish Minister is regarded as inevitable, but a rupture with Germany is not so likely, as Berlin evidently did not follow the advice of Count Luxburg.

## DISTINCTIVE DECORATION FOR FIRST EXPEDITIONARY TROOPS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
The War Office, in accordance with the King's wish, will specially recognise the services of the original British expeditionary forces, and arrangements are being made to award a distinctive decoration with a ribbon, but without a clasp, to participants, including Indians, in the earliest and most critical phase of the war, up to the time of the first battle at Ypres.

## THE FRUIT IMPORT INTO BRITAIN.

## FOOD CONTROLLER THE SOLE IMPORTER.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
The Food Controller, henceforth will be the sole importer of dried fruits including raisins, dates, currants, figs, prunes, plums, peaches, nectarines, apricots, pears and apples.

The order does not apply to goods shipped by September 8 to Great Britain, but importers must furnish particulars of purchases to that date, still unshipped.

## OFFICIAL "SUMMER TIME."

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
It is officially announced that "Summer time" will cease on September 17.

## EAST AFRICA.

## BRITISH PROGRESS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
An official despatch from East Africa states:—We overcame the enemy resistance at Opondu, to the south of Mahanga, and occupied all the positions. Our troops are pursuing the enemy. It is reported from the southern area, that the Germans have been dislodged from Tunduru and are retreating towards Hiwala.

No Germans are now in Portuguese Nyassaland, or to the south of Rovuma.

## ANOTHER U-BOAT HORROR.

LONDON, Sept. 6.  
The *Weekly Dispatch* relates a U. boat horror rivaling that connected with the sinking of the *Belgian Prince*.

A merchantman in the Atlantic saw a life boat drifting helplessly and steered towards it and saw a shoal of sharks following a waterlogged boat, which was badly smashed by gunfire. Fragments of human flesh and clothing were adhering to the thwarts and the dead occupants were horribly mutilated, obviously having been killed or wounded while lying in the boat helpless, as the provisions taken off their ship were unopened and the tins were perforated by fragments of shell. The interior of the boat was a terrible sight. The dying were unable to defend themselves from the sharks but they probably did not linger long in their agony.

The mate's papers, found aboard, enabled the merchantman to identify the boat as belonging to a British merchantman. The boat had been drifting for three months.

## THE DUTCH FISHING FLEET.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.  
A meeting of the fishing boat owners has decided at present not to accept the British Government's offer generously to indemnify them if they lay up 85 per cent. of their boats for two months, during which not more than 2,000 tons of fish shall be exported to Germany.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE BRITISH FRONT.

## ARTILLERY SLACKENS.

LONDON, Sept. 8.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—  
The enemy artillery has been more active in the neighbourhood of Harcourt. Elsewhere it has been less marked.

## FRENCH POSITIONS EXTENDED.

## OVER 500 PRISONERS CAPTURED.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
A French communiqué states:—On the right of the Meuse the French attacked this morning the enemy lines on a front of two and a half kilometres in the sector of Fosses and Carrières Woods.

The operations were a complete success, despite a desperate enemy resistance.

We extended our positions north of the Fosses Wood and carried the whole of the Chaume Wood, and the line to the west dominating Carrières Wood.

We captured over 500 prisoners.

## GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report states:—The French attack on Fosses Wood, north-westward of Bezonvaux, failed. At Chaume Wood, where the enemy gained ground, fighting continues.

## THE EAST AFRICAN OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 8.  
The War Office announces:—We are pursuing the Germans who dislodged from Upepo, and have occupied Malinge. We repulsed enemy counter-attacks in the vicinity of Upepo.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 9.  
The Silver Market is firm.

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The American Consulate-General announces that, apparently in keeping with the requirements of other nations in this connection, Americans hereafter travelling in the zone of the Russian Railway in Manchuria must have their passports visaged by Russian authorities. It is understood that this is a temporary arrangement for the duration of the war only.

## THE V.R.C. FETE.

On Saturday night the Victoria Recreation Club held its second fete this season under the patronage of H.E. Sir Henry May. There was very good attendance, and many ladies were present. The programme provided was so good that the meeting proved as successful, if not more so than, the previous one.

The chief interest of the meeting appeared to be centred on the high dive competition. It was noticeable that three of the five competitors were boys. One of them specially distinguished himself by his neat entry into the water.

Mr. A. McKirdy and A. A. Alves acted as starters, and Messrs T. Meek, Bain, and Finch as time-keepers. The results of the events were as follows.

FOUR LENGTHS' HANDICAP.—This well-contested event resulted in a dead heat between Fred. Anders and Anderson. Time 110 secs.

FOUR LENGTHS' HANDICAP FOR BOY CADERS.—1st heat: 1, Le Gegg; 2, Cadet Hart; 2nd heat: 1, A. Simmons; 2, J. C. Jacks. Final: 1, Gegg; 2, Jacks. Time 98 secs.

A challenge cup for this race was presented by a gentleman interested in the Cadet corps.

HURDLE RACE.—(2 lengths).—Four poles were laid across the bath and the competitors had to climb over these poles. 1st heat: 1, Stewart; 2, Corpl. Hall. 2nd heat: 1, Hitchings; 2, Lima. 3rd heat: 1, Pto Morley; 2, G. Hall. 4th heat: 1, J. Finch (scratch); 2, Harrison. Final: 1, Hitchings; 2, Morley.

BOYS' TEAM RACE.—(6 lengths) 1, J. Lyon's team; 2, Jennings' team.

TEAM RACE.—1, Corpl. White's team; 2, R. C. Wittchell's team. Time 5.33 m.

WATER POLO.—E. A. versus V.R.C. team.—Won by the V.R.C. team by 2 goals to 1.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. W. Anderson. The prizes won at the previous fete were also presented at this meeting.

The LADIES' NOMINATION was won by Mrs. Trueman whose carl was No. 35, and Miss Jacobs, No. 25.

A small orchestra of three instruments from the Middlesex Regiment provided enjoyable music in the intervals.

## CITY HALL WORK PARTY.

During the past fortnight the City Hall Work Party packed the following:—33 shirts, 31 night-shirts, 49 bed-jackets, 4 reversible bed-jackets, 81 pyjamas, 61 vests, 10 surgical night-shirts, 23 shrouds, 10 dozen handkerchiefs, 314 milk covers, 6 holdalls, 18 cap bandages, 11 scrubbers, 11 pr. slippers, 1 pr. knee-caps, playing-cards and cribbage board.

These were packed in 2 cases—one addressed to Lieut. Moorhead, 53rd Punjab, Mesopotamia, and the other to the Red Cross Depot, Bombay. In Quarry Bay there are about 15 workers, whose ages range from 6 to 10 years. The average weekly number of articles turned out by these workers during August was 12—scarves, mittens, knecaps, and socks. This needs no comment.

One of our slipper-workers has completed her 100th pair. These are so very much appreciated in the hospitals that we wish more workers would take them up.

We want to express our gratitude to Messrs. Wasonall Assomull, of the Far Eastern Bazaar, for the generous gift of 7 pieces of Chefoo silk. This has been made into officers' shirts, and the remnants into scarves.

A kind friend has sent us a cribbage board. We are glad of any games in good condition; they do not take much packing space, and are invaluable for convalescents.

We also ask for old mosquito-nets in good condition. New netting is expensive nowadays, and though we have a certain quantity, we would like more, to answer an appeal for head-nets against flies from Mesopotamia. The Hon. Secretary of the Red Cross Depot in Bombay has sent us a model. It takes about 2 square yards and is quickly made. If we had two or three large nets cut up, we could send a parcel off very soon.

## ETHEL STARR.

The London Gazette of July 18 states that the Military Cross has been awarded to "Temp. Sub-Lieut. Percy R. H. Fox, R.N.V.R. (now 2nd Lieut. East Kent Regiment) for conspicuous gallantry and determination in leading his men under very heavy fire. He carried out valuable reconnaissance work, and his coolness and personal example to all ranks with him greatly contributed to the success of the operations." Lieut. Fox is the son of Mr. R. H. Fox, B.M. Commercial Attaché to whom many congratulations will be offered on his son's distinction.

Colonel Woodcock, in addressing the Loyal Order of Moose at Fittshead, said that among a great army to Fittshead will prevent the invasion of this country in later years.

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## FORMER GERMAN CLUB BOMBED.

## A STATE OF THE KAISER DESTROYED.

At St. Pancras on July 12th, Mr. Peter Byrne held an inquest on the body of William Poole Saunders, 60, a firewood dealer, who was killed in the air raid the previous Saturday. He worked in a little shed between his house and a big building, formerly a popular resort of Germans. The keeper of an adjacent beer-house said that he saw more than 30 machines overhead, and there was a terrific explosion. The debris from a building wrecked every room in his house and tons of it had fallen on the spot where the shed had been. He offered Saunders shelter when the guns began to fire, but Saunders remarked, "If I have to die I should like to die quickly."

Mr. Carl Hentchel said that the building was largely used by Germans before the war, though half of the members were English. Owing to the dust and smoke the place became pitch dark. He was thrown down but was protected from serious injury by a stone staircase under which he had gone for safety. There was a burning fuse a few yards from him and he put it out with his foot. He had a miraculous escape. Two other people were in the shed with Saunders at the time. Although injured, they escaped with their lives, which was wonderful, as the greater part of a corner of the club, measuring 40ft. by 20ft. crashed through the roof.

The Corner. The club must be strongly built. Do you think it was put up with any ulterior motive, for use as a fort in the event of an invasion of London?

The Witness—I don't think so. It was built in 1884. The only thing I cannot understand is that some of the windows and doors have been bricked up. When we took over the club on the outbreak of war we found statues of the Kaiser and Elsmarck there. We removed them, and with other German emblems, they were placed in the cellar. On Saturday the statues were destroyed.

A public inspector said that half an hour after the bomb fell the police recovered the body of an old man from the wreckage. He was still alive, although crushed and stunned. About three

quarters of an hour later a body was brought out alive. After one hour and 40 minutes the dead body of Saunders was found. The shed was built between two high walls on the site of an old-time skittle alley.

A doctor said that when found Saunders was in a kneeling position, his arms folded, and his head down towards the floor. There was 10ft. of brickwork debris on top of him. He was crushed to death.

The Coroner asked in what position the two persons taken out alive were.

The Witness—The boy was standing up near the wall and the man was lying on the floor near the wall.

The Coroner—Which is the safest place in a room during an air raid?

The Witness—The safest place is at the end of the chimney breast on or near the floor.

It was stated that Dickens once lived in a street near by, and that graves in "David Copperfield" and "Pickwick" were laid in the district.

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified  
that they must produce at the Port  
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Bills of Lading can be countersigned.  
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are to be left in the Godowns, where  
they will be examined on WEDNESDAY,  
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All claims must be presented within a  
month of the steamer's arrival here, after  
which they cannot be recognized.  
No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godowns and all  
Goods remaining undelivered after 12th  
September, will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance whatever will be  
effected.  
Consignees are requested to send in  
their Bills of Lading for countersignature  
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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.  
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Hongkong, Sept. 7, 1917. 2087

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obtained.  
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Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Goods remaining undelivered after the  
15th Sept., will be subject to rent.  
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presented to the Undersigned on or before  
the 22nd Sept., or they will not be re-  
cognized.  
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods  
are to be left in the Godowns, where they  
will be examined on 15th Sept.  
at 11 a.m.  
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ered after 15th Sept. will not be issued.  
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others. We know the losses of our  
gallant Allies, Russia and France, as  
well as our own, and from them we can  
form a very shrewd idea of the cost to  
Germany of the war in men. In killed,  
died of wounds, prisoners, or men  
wounded beyond possibility of returning  
to the front, I am not exaggerating,  
writes "G." in the "Morning Post," I  
think, when I say Germany has lost  
1,000,000 men. At the end of 1916 we  
may say that the Germans possessed a  
force of 3,500,000 of all ranks, not count-  
ing recruits in training. In August, 1914,  
the German Army had doubled its peace  
strength. In February, 1915, it was  
trebled, and now consists of some 2,000  
infantry battalions, or about 250 divi-  
sions, of which about 150 are on the  
Western front. The figure for all ranks  
which I have given does not, of course,  
represent fighting men, but includes all  
subsidiary and non-combatant services.  
For instance, if the Germans captured  
women clerks in the invaded territories  
they would be included. In the latter  
part of 1916 the Higher Command in Ger-  
many formed about 100 new battalions.  
These do not represent fresh troops  
altogether. They were raised in various  
ways. In certain Army Corps districts a  
company at full war strength was formed  
of the Ersatz (or replacing) battalion, and  
these were collected together to form new  
regiments. It is as well to explain that  
a regiment represents three battalions,  
and thus in full war strength, as at the  
beginning of the war, could be reckoned  
at 3,000 men. Another method of raising  
new battalions was to withdraw a com-  
pany from every infantry regiment in a  
great number of divisions in the field to  
form new regiments. These companies,  
however, were often replaced by drafts  
from the depots at home. As a result of  
all this shuffling and re-shuffling some  
thirty new divisions were raised by the  
end of 1916. In the early part of 1915  
the new divisions were raised on the basis  
of three regiments to a division instead of  
four. This, of course, released a great  
number of staff officers, who were drafted  
to the new divisions.

Those who believe that Germany  
possesses a mysterious reserve of men  
must acknowledge that the figures are  
against them; but at the same time we  
must allow that she has a good, honest  
calculable reserve in her depots. The  
reckless way in which she is willing to  
shed her sons' blood in vain attacks and  
impossible counter-attacks has had its  
effect. On the other hand, it is not to  
be denied that the losses of the Entente  
have been very considerable. That is true  
enough, but they have been divided  
between Russia, France and England,  
while Germany has borne the chief burden  
of the war, as far as the Central Powers  
are concerned. I have stated how new  
divisions have been formed out of old;  
but perhaps it is not generally known  
that the strength of the infantry battalion  
has been reduced from 1,050 to 750. At  
the beginning of the war the German  
division consisted of 12 battalions, or,  
roughly, 12,500 bayonets. To-day it is  
reduced to nine battalions of 750 men  
each, or 6,750 men. These reductions  
have been forced on them by hard fight-  
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has been reduced in the same way.  
There are only four guns to each field  
battery, which formerly had six. The  
remainder have gone to create new forma-  
tions. It has already been stated that  
within two months of the year's offen-  
sive, Germany has been obliged to use  
about 100 divisions of the 150-odd now  
on the Western front. That is a fact  
worth pondering over. But a large num-  
ber of the battalions which were formed  
last year to be incorporated into the new  
divisions have already been used as drafts  
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It was not expected that the Boche would  
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In the Reichstag Committee for Trade  
and Industry a Government statement  
has been made concerning the scheme for  
the re-establishment of the German mer-  
cantile marine. Confidential information  
was given about the Shipping Bill which  
has so often been promised and so often  
postponed. I was stated that the Bill was  
now before the Federal Council, but it  
was doubtful whether it could be pre-  
sented to the Reichstag during the pre-  
sented session. According to the "Frank-  
furter Zeitung," the Committee expressed  
the opinion that everything must be done  
to restore German shipping as soon as  
possible, and that "enemy countries must  
be made to realise that the Germans have  
no intention of leaving their shipping in  
the lurch." The Committee unanimously  
passed a resolution insisting upon the  
urgency of the matter, and asking that  
the Bill should be presented to the Reich-  
stag this Session. There may be others  
who will have something to say to these  
proposed dispositions.

AN INTERESTING STATEMENT.  
The explanatory statement appended  
to the Bill is extremely interesting. It  
says that one of the most important needs  
of the German people is to be able to  
resume its world-trade and world-com-  
munications immediately after the war.  
The mercantile marine cannot meet the  
requirements of the country without  
financial help from the Empire. The  
mercantile marine consisted before the  
war of a gross registered tonnage of more  
than 3,000,000 tons. More than  
2,000,000 tons have fallen, or are likely  
to fall into enemy hands, and more than  
1,000,000 tons are locked up in the ports  
of Germany's allies or of neutral States.  
Owing to the rise in all prices, new con-  
struction undertaken at the risk of owners  
would be unlikely to pay. It is added:  
By far the greatest part of German ship-  
ping has been completely paralysed for  
the period of the war, and the revenue  
from overseas trade has dried up. On the  
other hand, the keeping in commission  
of our ships abroad and the maintenance  
of their crews require very large expendi-  
tures. These current expenses, the dis-  
appearance of revenue from overseas trade,  
and the costs involved in maintaining  
their organisation have caused a very  
great financial weakening of the German  
shipping concerns. In their efforts to  
penetrate German spheres of business,  
foreign shipping is in a particularly  
favourable situation, for the reason that  
during the course of the war thus far it  
has made brilliant profits, and conse-  
quently in possession of very large re-  
sources. Moreover, it is powerfully  
supported by its respective Governments  
in these efforts. The United States of  
America and Japan, in particular, have  
enormously increased and expanded both  
their fleets and business. Germany must  
strive to restore her mercantile marine  
not only by new construction, but by the  
purchase of ships under foreign flags.

THE HON. CLIVE HOLLAND, in a letter  
to the Press, states there can be no ques-  
tion in the minds of those who have  
studied the utterances of Herr Ballin  
and his associates of the "blue water" school,  
that they look upon Germany's mercantile  
marine (or what remains of it), as their  
most valuable and vital asset in the  
campaign being formulated to capture the  
commerce of the world after the war.  
It is with this end that neutral nations  
have been so persistently and cleverly  
induced by propaganda literature and  
"agents" who seek to incite the  
idea that the freedom of the seas can only  
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HOW NERVE TROUBLES  
BEGIN.

Few people realise that nervous  
ailments often arise from digestive  
troubles. The stomach fails, for some  
reason, to digest food properly. Then  
the system languishes, and the nerves  
become exhausted in striving to continue  
their work.

Impure blood also causes nerve  
troubles, but frequently it is in the  
stomach where the mischief starts. As  
nourishment is carried to the nerves by  
the blood, it will be seen that an  
important connection exists between the  
stomach, the nerves and the blood, and  
how nerve troubles, such as nervous  
headaches, nervous dyspepsia, neuritis,  
thymia and insomnia may begin.

In such cases relief is obtainable by  
means of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. By this  
natural process, the blood is purified,  
the system languishes, and the nerves  
become exhausted in striving to continue  
their work.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People  
are sold by all chemists and druggists.  
Beware of cheap imitations.

merely pointing out that for centuries it  
has been Great Britain which has pre-  
served the freedom of the seas and that,  
whether it be that of a Blackboard, a  
Captain Kidd, or a T. boat, piracy will  
not be tolerated by her. Here Ballin's  
freedom of the seas would mean the  
tyranny of the ocean.

With regard to the giving back of the  
German colonies. It is unthinkable that  
this should be done—at least, it is to  
those who know what German rule has  
meant to the native races. The Prime  
Minister's recent hint that the German  
Colonies would not be given back to the  
origins of lust and blood indulged in by  
German bureaucrats will have been wel-  
comed not alone by those who have  
studied Germany's methods and "ideas"  
of colonisation, but also by the men of  
the King's Overseas Dominions and  
Colonies, whose name and considered  
judgment is that in the case of Germany  
the punishment meted-out to her should  
be commensurate with her crimes.

## VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

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